

DELAWARE JUDICIAL NOMINATING COMMISSION

NOTICE OF VACANCIES

The Judicial Nominating Commission gives public notice that it has received notification from the Governor that the following offices may be filled by the appointment of the Governor with the concurrence of the Senate:

Judge of the Family Court of the State of Delaware, Kent County

(Due to the retirement of the Honorable William J. Walls, Jr.)

There are requirements of political balance under Article IV, Section 3 of the Delaware Constitution but in this case, the appointee may be a member of either party. In addition, the appointee: (i) must reside in Kent County; (ii) must be a resident of the State of Delaware for at least 5 years immediately preceding his or her appointment; and (iii) must be admitted to the practice of law before the Supreme Court of this State for period not less than 5 years prior to such appointment. The position provides a current annual salary of \$183,444.

Commissioner of the Family Court of the State of Delaware, New Castle County

(Due to the elevation of the Honorable Janell Ostroski to a Family Court Judgeship)

There are no political balance requirements for this office. Any applicant must be a resident of the State of Delaware for at least five years immediately preceding his or her appointment and reside in New Castle County. Non-incumbent applicants must be duly admitted to practice law before the Supreme Court of the State of Delaware. The position provides a current annual salary of \$113,452.

Commissioner of the Family Court of the State of Delaware, Kent County

(Due to the elevation of the Honorable Louann Vari to a Family Court Judgeship)

There are no political balance requirements for this office. Any applicant must be a resident of the State of Delaware for at least five years immediately preceding his or her appointment and reside in Kent County. Non-incumbent applicants must be duly admitted to practice law before the Supreme Court of the State of Delaware. The position provides a current annual salary of \$113,452.

Persons who meet the legal qualifications of the offices described above are invited to file with the Commission a completed copy of the "Questionnaire for Nominees for Judicial Office." A copy of the Questionnaire can also be obtained online at <http://courts.delaware.gov/career/> under the "Judicial Officer Postings" heading. *Please note that the JNC has published a revised version of the Questionnaire, dated March 30, 2016, that includes minor changes to some of the questions and revised instructions for submission, including a reduced number of required paper copies and a requirement to submit a copy of the application materials via email. If you have applied for previous judicial officer positions, please make sure your application reflects the most current version of the Questionnaire.* Any person desiring to suggest candidates is invited to write to the Commission. Any questions about the Questionnaire or the application process should be directed to the JNC Chair.

Completed Questionnaires must be received no later than **12:00 noon on Monday, August 15, 2016** at the below-listed address, with a copy of all application materials submitted via email to JNC@state.de.us. Interviews of candidates will be scheduled thereafter.

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